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SUBJECT: URGENT NEED FOR CEMENT

1. KALICAK INTERNATIONAL ZAIRE, A US-BASED CONSTRUCTION FIRM ACTIVE HERE, HAS CONTACTED EMBASSY REGARDING SURPLUS CEMENT IN NIGERIA. KALICAK CURRENTLY BUILDING GULF OIL INSTALLATION AT BANANA, SMALL PORT ON NORTH COAST OF ZAIRE RIVER ESTUARY, AND URGENTLY NEEDS CEMENT. THEY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THERE IS POSSIBILITY TO REDIRECT CEMENT FROM NIGERIAN PORT TO ZAIRE. THE FULF INSTALLATION WILL REQUIRE APPROXIMATELY 10,000 BAGS OF CEMENT, BUT KALICAK IS WILLING TO BUY UP 10,000 ADDITIONAL BAGS TO ROUND OUT SMALL SHIP LOAD. SHIP COULD EITHER DOCK BANANA OR OFF-LOAD TO WORK BOATS IF TOO LARGE.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE IF LAGOS COULD PASS US PRELIMINARY READING ON POSSIBILITY SUCH A DEAL. KALICAK WILLING TO SEND REP TO NIGERIA TO ARRANGE PURCHASE AND DETAILS IF FEASIBLE.
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